

## House Resolution No. 849

**Whereas**, Robberson Elementary School in Springfield, Missouri, was founded in 1905, since which time it has built a proud history of teaching, learning, and caring that has been shared with generations of students throughout the community; and

**Whereas**, the oldest existing elementary school building still in use in the Springfield area, Robberson Elementary School commemorated a century of educating students by celebrating its One Hundredth Anniversary on February 17, 2005; and

**Whereas**, the original school building consisted of four classrooms, two downstairs and two upstairs; the front of the building was facing south; and in 1912, four classrooms and a principal's office were added; and

**Whereas**, in 1930, the section of the school housing the office, library, and rooms 102, 103, 201, 202, and 203 were added with the front of the building now facing Kearney Street; and

**Whereas**, in 1954, a fourth addition was added to the building, this wing consisted of the Kindergarten room, room 109, the kitchen, and the multipurpose room; and

**Whereas**, in the mid-1970s, Robberson Elementary School replaced its circulating library with a library of its own; and in 1976, construction of the Safety Cross Bridge across Kearney began due to the efforts of Mrs. Phyllis Pfeiffer; and

**Whereas**, in 1905, Robberson Elementary School had an enrollment of 160 pupils and four staff member including Pearl Brooke, who served as Principal; and

**Whereas**, today, Robberson Elementary School boasts an enrollment of 328 students and forty-two staff members led by Principal Kevin Huffman; and

**Whereas**, Robberson Elementary School is dedicated to taking all the steps needed to guide this vibrant and historic school into its next one hundred years with visions for the future, accountability to stakeholders, and unwavering dedication to its students:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to the students, teachers, and administrators at Robberson Elementary School for achieving one hundred years of success; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Robberson Elementary School.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mark Wright  
District No. 137

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Representative Bob Dixon  
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Representative Brad Roark  
District No. 139

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 849, adopted March 3, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker